



IBEW LOCAL #910 THE INSIDER

FEBRUARY 2019

Volume 16, Issue 2 | 25001 Water Street, Watertown, NY 13601

www.ibew910.org

REGULAR MEETINGS

WATERTOWN:
Regular meeting
February 5th, 7:00 p.m.

PLATTSBURGH:
Satellite meeting
February 12th, 7:00 p.m.



REMINDER

1st Quarter Dues Are Now Payable

Wiremen \$123.60
Apprentice \$117.60

Check or exact cash accepted. \$3.00
quarterly increase effective January
1, 2019:

If you have any questions concerning
how much you may owe, please call
(315) 782-5630

IBEW LU 910 APPRENTICE WINS NATIONAL COMPETITION

IBEW Local 910 4th year apprentice Benjamin Budd of Potsdam won 1st place in the Ideal Challenge, sponsored by Ideal Industries.

Ideal Industries is an American company that produces connectors, hand tools, testers, and meters for the electrical and telecommunications industries. City Electric is the local area distributor for Ideal.

Ideal held qualifying round competition all across the U.S. between March 7 and October 5, 2018; Ben was the top qualifier in New York State. Those advancing will receive travel accommodations to compete in the Championship Weekend at Disney's® Coronado Springs Resort in Lake Buena Vista, FL on December 2-3, 2018. Ben participated in several rounds of competition and won the top spot. For winning the Ideal Challenge Ben was presented with a check for \$30,000 and IBEW local 910's apprenticeship program was given \$5,000 worth of Ideal tools.

LEFT: Ben Budd; RIGHT (R-L): Ben Budd, Andrew McLean
with IDEAL INDUSTRIES, INC. and Alan Smith.



BUSINESS MANAGER

Report at January '19 Regular Meeting

U=Union / NU = Non Union



A moment of silence was held for deceased Brother Ralph Senecal.

Currently we have 69 Journeymen on Book I, 7 on Book II, 9 Apprentice out of work, 7 Residential, CE, CW's and 1 Tele-data Technician available for work.

Jobs bid in the last two weeks include: Sackets Harbor CSD- Renovation Phase 2 went to Collins-Hammond (U) for \$410,00; and Cadyville Fire District Renovations and Additions had S&L(U) low bidder at \$59,000.

From Executive Board Report-

Jobs bid in the last two weeks include: SUNY Potsdam-Student Union was a GC bid to Murnane for \$6,355,000, we have been told the electric will go to S&L (U); and the NYPA St. Lawrence Power Control Room will be done by Perras Construction (U).

Upcoming work includes: SUNY Plattsburgh Bathroom Renovations, Fort Drum Exterior LED lighting, Crown Point Central School-Auditorium Renovation, Champlain Border-A/V Upgrades, Appleton Arena Addition, Fort Drum ECIP, NYPA St. Lawrence Power Control Room, SUNY Plattsburgh-Kent Hall Renovation, SUNY Potsdam-Student Union, River Hospital project at the old Monticello Hotel building, River Hospital Renovations, Thousand Island CSD-Guardino Elementary, South Jefferson CSD-Auditorium Lighting, Canton CSD-Restroom/Concessions, Brasher CSD-Phase 1, SUNY Canton-Dana Hall, Clinton Community College-Moore Building, Clinton CF - Upgrade and Rehabilitate Cell Backs, Blocks A & B, Carthage Hospital, Agri-Mark's Chateaugay facility, and a new development for a wind farm on Galloo Island, the Number Three and the Mad River wind farms.

School projects that are in various stages of development: Clifton-Fine \$3.6 million, Brasher falls \$10 million and Peru \$2.8 million, Franklin-Essex-Hamilton BOCES \$18.5 million, General Brown \$9.37 million, Parishville-Hopkinton \$2.3 million, St. Lawrence Central \$17.7 million, Brushton-Moira \$11.5 million, Jeff-Lewis BOCES \$20 million, St Lawrence-Lewis BOCES \$43.5 million, Beaver River \$12 million, and Indian River \$3.5 million.

We have had some more hiring for the Norsk project in Plattsburgh so the out-of-work numbers have held steady despite having some lay-offs. We still have some travelers working for Enfractor on the solar job in Mooers. We are seeing more jobs come out to bid which is typical for this time of year.

The Building Trades is attempting to get a meeting with the officials from Carthage Area hospital to talk with them about the possibility of a PLA on that project. No more news to report on the Ogdensburg wastewater PLA.

As of January 1st, Dave Hoover took over as Chairman of the Plattsburgh-Saranac Lake Building and Construction Trades Council. The previous Chair, John Donoghue of the Laborers has retired. John was Business Manager of the Laborers Local prior to the merger of the Plattsburgh Laborers with the Massena based Local. John also had a spot on the North Country Regional Economic Council. Dave and I are making efforts to get Dave that seat.

I completed negotiations with Champlain Telephone Company last month. We settled on a 1-year agreement; two members who made \$16.70 and \$17.00 were both increased to \$19.00 all other members will get a 3% raise. Considering the decline in revenue the company is seeing, I think it was a big victory. The membership voted 7-2 in favor of the new contract.